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Mr. Borden To Electors

Leader of Conservative Party Issues an Address to People.

Brief Outline of Platform Framed on Canada for the Canadians.

Trade Within the Empire Preferable to Foreign Aggrandizement.

Montreal, Oct. 25.—The leader of the Conservative party, Mr. R. L. Borden, has issued the following message:

TO THE PEOPLE OF CANADA. Parliament is now dissolved and political parties must submit themselves, their actions and their policy to the judgment of the people.

The subject of most immediate concern is the transcontinental railway. Having regard to the enormous cost of this project, it is imperative upon the people by the government's rash transcontinental projects, to the certainty that its adoption by you would shut out for a century government ownership of railways.

We fully realize the country's need for increased facilities in transportation. Efficient service and reasonable rates must be assured.

The government proposes to impose liabilities amounting to at least \$150,000,000 for the construction of a transcontinental railway under conditions which absolutely fail to safeguard our national interests.

We also confirm the necessity of thoroughly equipping our national ports and of developing and extending our system of canals and inland waterways.

In making appointments to public offices we shall place personal character and capacity above considerations of party service, and such additional safeguards will be provided as may be found necessary for the full protection of the public treasury.

THE FLEET SIGHTED. Torpedo Boats of Baltic Fleet Pass Usbent. Brest, France, Oct. 25.—Three Russian torpedo boats, with a collier, passed Usbent, 27 miles west by north of Brest, this morning, traveling westward.

NO FIGHTING MONDAY NIGHT.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 25.—General Sakharoff today telegraphed that there was no fighting last night and that there was no fighting today.

U. S. STEEL DIVIDEND.

New York, Oct. 25.—Directors of the United States Steel Corporation today declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent. on the preferred stock, payable November 30.

MADAME GADSKI COMING.

Berlin, Oct. 25.—The steamer Kaiser Wilhelm II., which sails from Bremen for New York today, takes among her passengers Madame Galski. Madame Galski's 60 concert engagements have been increased to 80.

AFTER CHILEAN NAVY.

Russia Said to be Negotiating Through Turkey, for Purchase.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 25.—A story is current here that Russia has purchased the Chilean navy, which will join the Russian Pacific squadron on the Azores islands.

Anxious Crowds At St. Peter-burg

The Populace Besieges Foreign Office for News of North Sea Blunder.

Admiralty Telegraphing Wildly for Particulars from the Squadron.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 25.—The admiralty and foreign office were besieged today with enquirers, correspondents and diplomats asking for the Russian news of the North Sea incident, where the authorities have absolutely nothing to say.

Foreign Minister Lamsdorff, upon his return from visiting Emperor Nicholas at Tsarskoe Selo this afternoon, drove direct to the British embassy, where he conveyed to Ambassador Hardinge, on behalf of the Emperor, a message for communication to King Edward and the British government.

Later the ambassador went to the foreign office and formally presented a copy of his instructions. The note was couched in a moderate but firm tone.

AERONAUT STARTLES EXHIBITION VISITORS

Appears Suddenly Over Grounds and gives Satisfactory Demonstration.

St. Louis, Oct. 25.—An aeronaut in the airship of F. C. Baldwin, of Los Angeles, Cal., caused great excitement here today by appearing over the grounds of the Transportation building at a height of about 1,000 feet.

The bags of ballast were cut loose and the airship rose several hundred feet in the air, and at that point R. Knabenshue, of Toledo, Ohio, the operator of the ship, started the motor, and, shifting his weight toward the stern, pointed the bow upward at a slight angle.

The power is secured by means of two large propellers. It was announced the ascent was simply a trial trip. Knabenshue brought the airship to the ground in South St. Louis, a distance of eight miles from the starting point.

Propelled part of the way by its own power, and the remainder of the distance by the wind, which was blowing ten miles an hour, the "Arrow," owned and piloted by Thomas S. Baldwin, of San Francisco, in charge of A. Roy Knabenshue, of Toledo, today made an unannounced flight of ten miles from the world's fair grounds over St. Louis and across the Mississippi river to Cahokia, Ill.

Climbing to the framework of the car, his foothold on iron tube on one side of the triangular frame, Knabenshue directed the movements of the flying machine, manoeuvring in circles and against the wind over the exposition grounds.

Settlement Is Delayed

Diplomatic Procedure Retards Adjustment of North Sea Outrage.

In Spite of Bitter Feeling no Outbreak Occurs in London.

Popular Appreciation of King Edward's Manly Words Is Manifested.

London, Oct. 25.—The inevitable delay of diplomatic procedure appear to retard a complete and satisfactory settlement of the acute differences between Great Britain and Russia arising from the deplorable North Sea affair.

King Edward has received from Emperor Nicholas himself a cablegram expressing the deepest regret and practical acknowledgment that England's note will meet with a reply concerning every demand for apology for the act of aggression against the British flag, compensation for sufferers and punishment of the offenders responsible for what

WAR SUMMARY.

(By Associated Press.)

Nothing of any consequence by the Russian side of the North Sea incident, where the admiralty tonight gave evidence of its appreciation of the necessity of proving that it is prepared to actively support the people of Great Britain and to meet the expectations of the world.

On receipt on October 24 of the news of the North Sea tragedy, preliminary orders for mutual support and co-operation were issued, as a measure of precaution, from the admiralty to the Channel and Mediterranean and Home fleets.

The day has been one of the busiest in recent years in diplomatic circles here. The Russian ambassador, who only reached London shortly before midnight Monday, was an early caller at Lansdowne House and had a long interview with Lord Lansdowne, after which the foreign minister went down to the admiralty.

It is understood that this is because it is considered that it would be unwise to make any public statement in view of Great Britain's announcement to Russia that the matter would not brook delay.

While Great Britain is stirred to its depths, there has not been even slight evidence of a repetition of the rowdiness of last night, which is condemned on all sides.

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KUROPATKIN PROMOTED.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 25.—An imperial ukase, dated October 27, appoints General Kuropatkin commander-in-chief of the Russian army.

ACUTE STAGE ALREADY PASSED.

Washington, Oct. 25.—A cablegram received at the state department today from Spencer Eddy, the American charge of embassy at St. Petersburg, stated that the Russian government had received the protest of the British government against the action of the second Pacific squadron in firing upon the British North sea fishing fleet.

MUST REACH HARBIN.

Japanese Will Not Discuss End of War Until Siberian City Is Reached.

Rome, Oct. 25.—The Stampa today published an interview with the Japanese minister here, who is quoted as saying that, before the Japanese can discuss the end of the war or the conquest of Manchuria, their troops must reach Harbin, which is far away considering the exhaustion of the troops.

Episcopal Church Convention Ends

Sessions Adjourned Yesterday and Next Gathering to Meet in Richmond.

Pastoral Letter on Divorce by Bishop Potter of New York City.

Boston, Oct. 25.—The triennial general convention of the Episcopal church, which has been in session since October 5th, was adjourned today with a public service in Trinity church. Bishop Henry C. Potter of New York, read a pastoral letter addressed to the church at large on problems now before the country.

The chief feature of the session just closed was the visit of the Archbishop of Canterbury and the long discussion on the amendment to the divorce canon.

Among the many negative actions taken was the decision on change of the name of the church at this time and to discontinue the use of the word "priest" in the church will be carried on with more vigor.

SEATTLE ELECTRIC CARS IN COLLISION. Traveling at Great Speed Two Coaches Crash Together in the Fog.

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On Eve of Election for Murderer Frank Gustafson Commits Suicide. New York, Oct. 25.—Frank Gustafson, a convicted murderer, who today was to have been sentenced to death by the electric chair, committed suicide during the night by hanging himself in his cell in the Tombs prison with his leather belt to the iron rail at the head of his bed.

U. S. Navy Banquetted

Officers of America's European Squadron Entertained in London.

An Exchange of Felicitations by British and Yankee Officials.

Lord Selborne Makes Interesting Statement on Subject of Outrage.

London, Oct. 25.—"I thank God the day has come when neither the British nor the American navy can be jealous of each other's development." Rear Admiral Jewell, in the foregoing sentence, tonight elicited loud cheers when he replied to the toast in honor of the American European squadron at the banquet given them by the Pilgrim Society.

Lord Selborne, the first lord of the admiralty, presided at the gathering, which included representative British naval and military officials, United States Consul General Evans and many others of note.

Lord Selborne, in proposing the American naval guests, said he must refer to the "inexcusable outrage" in the North Sea. In a similar case, said Lord Selborne, the British or American navy would make immediate and ample apology. "They would punish," added Lord Selborne, "the guilty officers and perpetrators of such a terrible blunder and demand security against its recurrence. I no more doubt that I am standing here than the Emperor and the Russian people will feel their responsibility for the outrage."

Lord Selborne proceeded to pay a glowing tribute to the American navy and emphasized instances of co-operation between British, French and American navies.

"I say on behalf of the British government," said Lord Selborne, "that there is nothing but the greatest admiration for the American navy here, and there is no navy from which the British is so willing to learn. The American navy can never pay too frequent visits to British waters."

Rear Admiral Lambton declared that he would never believe that any officer, Russian or otherwise, could do so hastily an act intentionally.

"Naval officers sometimes make mistakes, but," said Admiral Lambton, "give them time to apologize and everything will be all right."

Admiral Lambton's statement, combined with Lord Selborne's, are taken as practically closing the North sea incident. Rear Admiral Lambton saw King Edward today, and undoubtedly expressed his views on the matter.

Among the many telegrams read at the banquet was one from the Archbishop of Canterbury, referring in glowing terms to his visit to America and expressing regret that he was unable to be present at the Pilgrims' banquet.

HELENA PAPER CHANGES HANDS.

Butte, Mont., Oct. 25.—Senator W. A. Clark has sold the Helena Independent to John S. M. Neill, of Helena and the formal transfer has already taken place. Senator Clark bought the paper from Neill two years ago last August and placed J. L. Dobell in charge as managing editor. Mr. Dobell will retire from the Independent, but it is expected that there will be no other changes. The new editor has not yet been selected by Mr. Neill.

KILLS HIMSELF IN PUBLIC.

New York, Oct. 25.—Wrenching himself from the grasp of two men, who had driven his purpose and seized him, an unknown man today threw himself under a Third avenue elevated train at 42nd street and was crushed to death in the presence of scores of people that crowded the platform awaiting a downtown train. So tightly was the body wedged under the forward trucks of the car that an hour was required to remove it, and during all that time traffic on the southbound track was at a standstill.

RETURNING JAPANESE.

Honolulu, Oct. 25.—A large number of Japanese army reserve men residing here have received notifications by cable from the military authorities in Japan calling them home for army service. It is believed that two or three thousand will try to secure passage on the next steamer leaving here for the Orient.

SEQUEL TO THE DREYFUS AFFAIR

Four Prominent Officers of the French War Department on Trial.

Paris, Oct. 25.—A sequel to the Dreyfus case was the opening of the court martial today of four prominent officers from the military authorities in Japan calling them home for army service. It is believed that two or three thousand will try to secure passage on the next steamer leaving here for the Orient.

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British Public Grows Impatient

Delay In Satisfactory Answer From St. Petersburg Causes Irritation.

Protests Against Allowing the Irresponsible Squadron to Proceed.

London, Oct. 26.—The morning newspapers display great impatience over the delay of the Russian government in according satisfaction for the Dogger bank affair. The Emperor's communication, while it relieves the tension, is held to be only a personal expression of regret and it is argued that unless the Russian government speedily follows up, a situation of the greatest danger will arise. Editorial articles demand that the second Pacific squadron must be stopped in its irresponsible career for otherwise there is no safety for the shipping of any nationality.

The Standard asks: "Is this ill-considered squadron, which has been sent on a mission of investigation and punishment of the guilty parties. In this connection the greatest satisfaction is expressed at the unanimity of foreign expressions of opinion in support of Great Britain's attitude in the matter, and especially at German denunciation of the conduct of the Baltic fleet. Public interest, and even anxiety, shows the slightest sign of waning. The war is almost forgotten and the papers are occupied almost exclusively with the North Sea affair. Not a public dinner or function of any kind but the speakers refer in unmeasured terms to the conduct of the Russian officers, and urge the government to be firm in its demand for satisfaction."

So far the attitude of the government meets with the complete approval of the public, who are greatly gratified with the instructions of the admiralty for co-operation in the Mediterranean. Chamberlain and Home squadrons must necessarily arise. The Home fleet, consisting of nine battleships and three cruisers, which had been stationed at Cromarty, left Tuesday night for the south to be in readiness for any necessary concentration. All leaves have been stopped in the navy, and in the unlikely event of the situation becoming so serious as to necessitate it, a strong naval force could quickly be got together.

That a possibility of dangerous developments lurks in the protraction of the crisis, is seen in the fact that the Russian correspondents of British papers are beginning to send rather inflated reports.

For example, the Telegraph's St. Petersburg correspondent says: "In military circles, among the less responsible officers, and in marine circles of almost all classes, the conviction prevails that, sooner or later, war with England is inevitable and that the present moment is as auspicious as any other."

The Standard's Moscow correspondent also asserts that "the majority of the Russian people find more or less satisfaction in the insult offered to England."

Coaling on a wholesale scale continues. Over a dozen steamers are now loading at Welsh ports for Russian account, evidently for the second Pacific squadron.

A despatch from Vico, received early today, makes no mention of the arrival there of the Baltic squadron, but reports that British warships have been seen off Lanzo, presumably for the purpose of watching the squadron.

NEW RUSSIAN LOAN.

London, Oct. 26.—A new Russian loan of \$270,000,000, according to the Brussels correspondent of the Standard, has virtually been concluded.

YUKON NAVIGATION CLOSED.

Seattle, Oct. 25.—Steam navigation, the full length of the Yukon, is practically closed. The river is full of ice. The output of the Klondike this season is estimated at 1,000,000 lbs.

BANKER'S TRAIN DITCHED.

Laredo, Texas, Oct. 25.—Word has just reached here that the special train which left over the line of the National Mexican railroad, bearing James Speyer, of the banking firm of Speyer & Company, of New York, while going at a high rate of speed, was derailed between Sanchez and Lajarrita, about 25 miles south of here.

ALL TRAWLERS IN PORT.

Entire Fleet Now Accounted For and No Further Casualties.

London, Oct. 25.—All the steam trawlers, including the Gull, from Dogger bank, are now back at Hull. There are no additional casualties to the crew of the Crane. Three wounded men who were brought to Hull today belong to the Crane, having just left the hospital ship. They tell graphic stories, amply confirming previous reports of the affair, but appear unable to positively say whether they were cruisers or battleships which fired upon them, but they believe they were battleships.

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From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Oct. 25.—J. J. Cowie, an expert on herring fishing left Ottawa for British Columbia today to examine and report upon the advisability of establishing the herring industry on the Pacific coast according to Scotch methods. Experts of the department feel that the time has arrived when the herring of the Pacific waters should be utilized for food. Government experiments at Canso have demonstrated that the Canadian herrings cured according to Scotch methods are equal to any on the market.

Local postmasters throughout Canada got a pre-election sop in the shape of an increase in salary of \$5 a year.

The department of public works has received five tenders for the construction of the proposed Victoria national museum, the cost of which is approximately \$1,000,000. Each tender had to include a bank cheque for \$75,000.

The department of marine is advised today of the arrival at Quebec of the new ice-breaker Champlain, which will endeavor to keep the channel open between River Ouelle and Murray bay all winter. The arrival of the vessel at this particular time is regarded as very significant.

A record brought back from Eriksby by A. P. Low, which was written in Danish and left there by the Danish polar expedition, says that the English government depot, at Eriksby bay, at Beech Island, was a total wreck.

General Lake has arrived from England and taken the position of chief of staff.

Lieut. Morley of the Royal Engineers has been appointed to the position of military engineering and military on staff of the Royal Military College, Kingston.

Openly Accused Of Treachery

London Times Investigates the North Sea Outrage With Startling Results.

Theory of Mistake Does Not Look Probable in View of Facts.

London, Oct. 26.—A despatch from Hull to the Times says the correspondent is of the opinion that the attack on the British trawlers by the Russian Baltic squadron was a deliberate act, perpetrated with the knowledge of its character.

The correspondent argues that the fact that the first ships of the squadron seemed by disposes of the fiction that the Russian officers had an attack of nervousness, and then contents "our ships" and "our trawlers" have mistaken trawlers for anything but fishing boats.

"Besides," the correspondent says "such excuses as have been advanced on behalf of the Russians do not even allege ignorance. The suggestion is made of some mistake or a menacing movement by the trawlers, or a misunderstanding from more than one ship and was command and it stopped by orders."

The correspondent minutely details the injuries inflicted upon the trawlers and asserts that "every shot was about 2 1/2 inches in diameter at the point of entry, evidently from machine guns, which the trawlers also were struck by bursting shells of which a skipper picked up fragments. The Moulmein had a hole at fifteen inches long and eight inches wide at the point of entry, evidently made by a shell."

"It is wonderful that the Moulmein and the Mino, except the fate of the Crane, for the Russian gunners made first-rate practice and must be complimented on their marksmanship. At the same time one cannot swallow the yarn that they were paralyzed by terror or that darkness prevented them from distinguishing the vessels they were firing at."

Finally, the correspondent contends: "The whole affair is compatible with the idea of a drunken commander yielding to the temptation of having a little fun among British fishermen, who were nothing more than peasants in the eyes of a well-to-do Russian officer, especially one under the influence of vodka or champagne a few roubles would settle the killing of a few poor brutes of peasants."

Settlement Is Delayed

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party differences have been laid aside and that the country is behind the government. Lord Selborne, at the Pilgrims' banquet tonight, denounced the Dogger bank affair in the most outspoken terms yet heard from a member of the cabinet, as being an "inexcusable outrage" and a "terrible blunder which would be impossible in either the British or the United States navy."

Colonel Secretary Lyttleton, too, in another place, spoke in the strongest terms that it was impossible to view the affair as other than the result of "murderous intention or of wicked negligence."

The post-mortem examination of the bodies of the victims of the Dogger bank affair was held today at Hull. The proceedings were purely informal and no official announcement was made, but it is claimed positively that both of the dead men bore wounds inflicted both by machine guns and larger guns.

STRIKES FLOATING MINES.

Chefoo, Oct. 26.—(6:10 a. m.)—The steamer Kashi struck a floating mine north of Aleeste island at 5:30 a. m. tonight. Two Chinese were killed. The Kashi arrived at Weihaiwei today.

FIGHTING IN JAVA.

Amsterdam, Oct. 25.—A despatch from Batavia today reports that the Dutch troops have captured Batoebatoe, in Achin, after sharp fighting. The Japanese, the despatch says, lost 100 killed and the Dutch captured twenty guns and had three killed and eleven wounded.

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Stupefaction At The Situation

Sentiment of Bewilderment at Recent Blunder Evident at St. Petersburg.

War in the Far East Is Lost Sight of in the Present Predicament.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 26.—(2:50 a.m.)—Vice Admiral Rojostevsky's reasons for firing into the British fishing fleet remains as great a mystery as ever. Again at midnight the admiralty announced that the admiralty's report of the affair had not been received. Meanwhile Emperor Nicholas, through Ambassador Harding, has sent to King Edward and the British government a message conveying an expression of the profoundest regret for the unfortunate affair, coupled with assurances that the families of the victims should receive the fullest reparation.

The British government shows moderation in the note which Sir Charles Hardinge presented to Foreign Minister Lamsdorff today. While it awaits an explanation for an act which it characterizes in strong language as unjustifiable, deliberate and inhuman, it makes no threats, fixes no time limit for reparation, and contains no demands, the note specifically stating that Great Britain's demands are reserved pending receipt of an explanation.

The willingness of Great Britain to await the Russian explanation before formulating demands, shows consideration for the position in which Russia has been placed by a deplorable blunder. At the same time this consideration has an ominous ring about it, only serving to emphasize the gravity of the situation, the note showing that when demands are presented, they will be insisted upon with full compliance with them. The fact that Great Britain has not shown her hand strengthens her position. The demands will be mostly a matter of speculation until Admiral Rojostevsky's report is received, but if one thing is certain, namely, that the squadron actually changed formation before opening fire, it would seem to fix the responsibility upon Rojostevsky, and whoever the author of the offense may be, it is undoubtedly one that Great Britain will demand, among other things, his punishment. It is also considered certain that failure to comply with the demands will be immediately followed by Ambassador Harding's recall.

Although some nervousness is perceptible in diplomatic circles, generally speaking there is the greatest confidence that the affair will be amicably adjusted. It is felt indeed that the very gravity of the situation may prove its salvation, by inspiring the most careful and deliberation upon each side.

The Emperor's action yesterday afternoon, followed by the Associated Press despatches Monday night, following his interview with Count Lamsdorff, is regarded as an expression of his purpose to meet any reasonable demand of the British government and to do everything possible to avoid cause of a quarrel. Through a member of the court, the Associated Press learns he has already expressed a determination to punish whoever is responsible for the error.

A tour of the embassies and legations yesterday showed that the sentiment was almost unanimously that Russia would make every reparation, and that the incident would be adjusted unless Great Britain's demands should be unreasonable, which it was thought they would not be. Nevertheless, the greatest activity was manifested at all the legations. Cipher despatches were coming and going and the foreign office was besieged by under secretaries and ministers, all looking for information. The scenes gave forcible reminder of those immediately preceding the severance of diplomatic relations with Japan.

At the admiralty there were similar scenes of activity, newspaper correspondents and naval attaches waiting information regarding Rojostevsky's report, but the admiralty had nothing to say in explanation of the extraordinary silence. It is felt that this delay is one of the most serious features of the situation. While the British note fixes no time limit for a Russian reply, it is regarded that the prolonged delay will do much to damage the prestige of British public opinion and render final adjustment difficult.

MR. MANSON OPENS CAMPAIGN AT COMOX

Conservative Candidate Prosecuting a Canvas of the District.

From Our Own Correspondent.

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Admiral of Fishing Fleet Reports

Russians Should Have Been Able to See That Boats Were Harmless.

Firing Was Kept Up for Fifteen Minutes in Spite of Signals.

The report of Thomas Carr, "admiral" of the North Sea fishing fleet, dated "The North Sea, October 22nd," was received tonight as follows: "We were fishing in latitude 55.18 north and longitude 5 east the night of October 21st. At 11:30 p. m. a large fleet of men-of-war sprang up on our lee bow, the wind being about south-east. One squadron passed by our lee side. The remainder, consisting of four battleships steamed just across our head, throwing searchlights over our fleet. As soon as they got to windward they began firing on us, their projectiles flying all around and across our decks for a full quarter of an hour, some of the shots passing under our mainmasts so unpleasantly near the men who were cutting fish in the pound that they cleared out down below, one shot passing right between them. I very much regret to say that others in the fleet were not so fortunate as in escaping unhurt. The Crane was sunk, her skipper and third hand were killed and all the rest of the crew were wounded with the exception of the cook. The skipper of the Gull, who being hailed by the Crane, saying 'we are sinking' hoisted up his gear, got out a boat and went to the rescue of the unfortunate survivors."

"The Moulmein, Mino and Snipe all had shots pass through them, the two former vessels being obliged to make sail homeward. I think two or three vessels did not board report to us in the morning, but that may be because the weather caused them to miss the fleet."

"I do not know whether they took us for Japanese or whether they were proceeding to get their hands in. There must be a mistake somewhere. They ought to have known we were only inoffensive fishermen."

"I remain, your obediently,"

(Signed) THOS. CARR, Admiral.

Speaking at Leamington today Colonial Secretary Lyttleton referred to the North Sea affair. He said he felt sure every one irrespective of party would agree that the government had done the right thing in having demanded not merely reparation, but that the reparation should be prompt. In referring to the character of the "outrage," Mr. Lyttleton said that even looking at it in the calmest and most possessed manner, it was impossible to view it other than as the result of murderous intention or of gross negligence. Having said that much, Mr. Lyttleton thought that every one should follow the example of the government and "hold themselves entirely courteous to Russia, giving them every credit for the ready disavowal and disapproval of the great monarch who has surmised over the Russian empire and disassociating many good people in Russia from any sympathy with such an outrage and thus contribute to international courtesy and peace."

The Russian ambassador did not call on Lord Lansdowne on Monday. He was engaged during the afternoon at the Russian embassy, where long cipher messages were received from St. Petersburg.

The admiralty is understood to be taking measures for the protection of the British trawlers in the Bay of Biscay. Besides notifying St. Petersburg of the presence of trawlers there, it is thought probable that a warship may be dispatched from Gibraltar to watch over the fishermen.

LATEST FROM YUKON CAPITAL

Navigation Closed on the River—Paper Sued on Libel Charge.

Dawson, Y. T., Oct. 25.—Steamer navigation for the full length of the Yukon has practically ceased, and the first overland stages with mail will leave for White Horse and Dawson tomorrow, using wheels until there is more snow.

The steamer Prospector, the last boat to attempt the trip from Dawson to White Horse this season, leaves tonight with a full load of passengers. The steamer will have to make the run against a river full of light ice, but it is thought that it will succeed in making the Yukon crossing that the remainder of the trip will be easy.

Late reports from Tanana are to the effect that the Monarch, the last boat to leave Dawson for Chena, arrived at her destination in safety. The report also states that the steamer Tyrrell, with Judge Humes, of Seattle, aboard, managed to get within 25 miles of Chena, when she was stopped by the ice, and will be obliged to remain where she is for the rest of the winter. Her freight will be hauled over the ice to Chena.

Official figures just given out show the output of Klondike camp, including the British Yukon radius within 50 miles of Dawson, this season to be \$9,500,000. This is a falling off of \$2,000,000 from the output of last year.

Suit has been commenced by Pierre Ledien, returning officer of the Yukon election board, against the Dawson News for \$495. Ledien alleges in his complaint that the editorial appearing in the News, warning people against the danger of the possible corruption of returns, was libelous.

The Mayor of Chena Congdon against Editor Thompson, of the Yukon Sun, will be heard today. Congdon claims that a cartoon which appeared in the Sun alleges that he accepted bribes to permit gambling, dance halls and like evils.

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INDIAN CHIEF GUILTY.

Vancouver, Oct. 25.—Chief Schwid, of the Nahlwitti tribe of Indians, was found guilty this evening of interfering with the course of justice by melting the Indians to keep secret the murder of a young woman belonging to the Nahlwitti tribe. Justice Duff reserved sentence. According to the evidence when the body with the head almost severed was brought to the chief, all the village assembled around it and many other Indians from the north. The chief delivered a speech in which he advised that the murder be kept from the whites and asked his people to contribute money to buy the silence of Henry Butler and George Hunt, two half-breeds. A potlatch was going on at the time.

LADYSMITH NOTES.

Ladysmith, Oct. 24.—(Special)—Albert Thomas, the youngest son of Mr. D. Thomas, received a wound in the right side yesterday afternoon, caused by a cartridge exploding in his hand.

The large increase in the number of pupils attending the technical school, has led to the appointment of two new teachers, who will take up their positions after the Christmas holidays.

The matter of sending the city into wards came up at the city council meeting and caused a warm discussion. It was finally decided that the wards should run parallel with the avenues, that is, almost north and south, and at right angles to the streets.

The work on the new wharf and its approach is progressing favorably and blizzards can be heard every day "along the line."

The steamer Wyndell will complete her cargo of coal for San Francisco today. The Wyndell took half her cargo on at Cumberland.

The bulk Japan is loading slack coal for Union.

The steamship Schirke came in with a cargo of ore for the Tye smelter from Texada.

A very enjoyable and most successful promenade concert, and dance took place in the Ladysmith opera house last night. The entertainment was given by the Ladysmith band.

EXTRAVAGANCE FILLS COUNTRY WITH BACHELORS.

"I would make all the improvements of the manners and the accomplishments of education subordinate to the duties of the house—the means to make home happy," says the Rev. Dr. Madison C. Peters of Philadelphia.

"The state of life into which it has pleased God to call our daughters is plainly for the most part that which entails the duties of the housekeeper, and the home maker, and for those duties the learning acquired in the schools often does much to unfit them."

"The result of this unfaithfulness in the foundation education is seen in the extravagant habits of our modern housekeeping and the ignorant waste where the young woman finds herself unable to direct her servants in cases where she is not required to do the actual work herself."

"And wearying of her attempts to be queen in her own home she allows her little kingdom to pass without a head. Her husband thinks that the expense of married life is far greater than he anticipated and the comforts less."

"It is this extravagance and incompetence among women that account for nearly 4,000,000 single men past thirty in this country. It costs so much more to support a wife that it has become a prevalent sentiment that a man must acquire his fortune before he marries, that the wife must have no share nor sympathy with him in the pursuit of it and the young man, who must be set out with as large an establishment as is becoming to those who have been married for twenty years."

"This fills the country with bachelors, who are waiting to make their fortunes, and endangering virtue, promoting vice, and destroying the designs of the domestic institution and it encourages inefficiency among women who are expecting to be taken up by fortune and sustained without any care on their part."

VICTORIA HUNT CLUB

The Victoria Hunt Club are unable to hold a gymkhana as proposed. The first paper-chase of the season will start on Saturday next, 29th October, from Work Point Barracks, at 3 p. m. This is a trial paper-chase; if not well supported the paper-chases will have to be discontinued.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Annual Sale.—The Ladies' Guild of St. John's church intend holding their annual Christmas sale of work on Tuesday, December 6.

Church Services.—There will be services held, as usual, at St. Paul's German Lutheran at 7:30 Wednesday evening. After services will take place the quarterly meeting of the members and trustees of the church.

Officers' Social.—This evening at the Fives' Court, Work Point barracks, the warrant officers, staff sergeants and serjeants' club will give another of its enjoyable socials, events which last year were voted conspicuous successes.

To Privy Council.—For the purpose of taking charge of the cases taken by the province to the Privy Council, Hon. Charles Wilson will leave for London in a few days. The Deadman's island appeal and connection with the employment of Chinese in coal mines will be argued.

Leonard Island Light.—The powerful new light which has just been established on Leonard island by the department of marine and fisheries is expected to be in operation for the first time on November 1st. The light is a very powerful one, one of the best of its kind on the Pacific coast.

Looking for Peat.—J. P. Graves, president of the Peat Pass Association, has written from Chicago asking General Agent J. H. Rogers at Dawson to make inquiries regarding peat in the Yukon valley. The company is anxious to locate such deposits with the idea of ultimately using peat for fuel purposes.

Granite for Seattle.—On Saturday the tug Albion left Ladysmith for Seattle with a scowload of British Columbia granite for use in a portion of the new post office building being erected at that point. Some of the pieces of granite which the Albion took over weighed as much as ten tons. It came from Granite Island, Jervis inlet, where it was quarried.

Gun Accident.—Suffering from a gun accident which occurred on Friday morning last, Albert Smith, who has been employed by an English syndicate in prospecting on the West Coast, lies at the Jubilee hospital, after an arduous trip from the Yukon. He was proceeding towards Cape Beale with a couple of companions his weapon exploded and a fragment lodged in his right leg. He reached the city via Otter point and Goldstream. He was operated on and is now doing nicely.

Snow Impedes Hunters.—Late arrivals from the Cassiar country say the early fall of snow interfered somewhat with the success of several hunting expeditions. Baron Von Plessen, who has been hunting big game, was caught at the foot of Plessen lake when the snow fell, and he lost one of his horses through the inability of the animal to work its way out of the deep snow. The baron is now hunting grizzly at the head of the Iskut river, a stream which flows into the Skeena, but will be soon starting for home.

"A Well-Earned Holiday."—After fifteen years constant work Mr. Fred Oliver, local manager of the Dominion Express Company, on account of failing health has been granted a holiday and leave of absence for three months. If Mr. Oliver's health will permit of it, he intends to take in the World's Fair at St. Louis and may possibly spend a couple of months in Europe. While he is absent from Vancouver island for fifteen years, the duties of the office here requiring the agent's constant attention. With a record of nearly forty years in the express business we think the holiday well earned.

Natural History.—A regular meeting of the Natural History Society was held in their room in the Parliament buildings on Monday evening, the president, Capt. Wallbridge, presiding. A large attendance of members present. After the usual routine of business had been disposed of, Mr. Wallace, on behalf of the committee, reported that he had secured two suitable locations at Beacon Hill Park in which to plant specimens of the various wild flowers and shrubs of British Columbia. An excellent programme of papers, to be read during the coming winter, was also arranged and the meeting adjourned at a late hour.

'Phone Cable Laid.—A despatch from Bellingham, Wash., appearing in the Seattle papers, reads: "The laying of the cable for the new international telephone system between this city and Victoria has been completed, and a gap of only about 23 miles of line, between Friday Harbor and Cascade Island, on Oregan Island at the foot of Mount Constitution, remains to be constructed before the system is completed. The stories which have gained publicity recently about alleged trouble between the telephone company and the government officials relative to the duty on the cable were without foundation. The duty, amounting to \$7,500, was paid without protest."

Church Anniversary.—The congregation of St. Paul's church, Victoria West, marked the thirtieth anniversary of the opening of the church by special services, largely attended, on Sabbath last, the Reverends R. Leckie, Duffin and Archibald Ewing officiating, morning and evening respectively. On Monday evening the anniversary social, perhaps the most successful in the history of the congregation, took place. The programme, which consisted of addresses, solos and musical selections, was taken part in by the following: Reverends Dr. J. Campbell, G. K. B. Adams, McIntyre, W. L. Chy and Messrs. J. G. Brown, W. D. Kinnaird, D. A. Fraser, W. E. Barron, Master George Williams, and Miss Grace King. The pastor, Rev. D. McTear, presided; Mrs. L. Hall accompanied. Refreshments were served by the Ladies' Aid, under whose auspices the social was held.

W. C. T. U. Meeting.—The W. C. T. U. will meet tomorrow afternoon in the Y. M. C. A. hall. Business of importance will be considered and a large attendance is urgently requested.

"Sampson" Rehearsal.—Mr. J. G. Brown requests a full attendance at the rehearsal for the oratorio "Sampson" at the First Presbyterian church tonight at 8 o'clock. The sopranos are requested to be present at 7:30.

Third Degree.—Columbia lodge, I. O. O. F., will hold their usual weekly meeting this evening, and besides other important business to be transacted, the third degree will be conferred on two members. A good attendance is anticipated.

Organ Recital.—A new sacred cantata entitled "A Joyful Thanksgiving," will be given by an augmented choir in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church on Monday, November 7th. This will be followed by an organ recital for which a very fine programme is being prepared. Fuller details will be given later.

Complain of Sidewalk.—Residents on Toronto street are loud in complaint respecting the dilapidated condition of the sidewalk along that thoroughfare. The planks are loose, and in some cases broken, and the fear is held that a severe accident will befall some unwary pedestrian.

Visiting Editor.—Hon. L. Wilhelm, editor of "The Coast," a local magazine of British Columbia and Washington, published at Seattle, accompanied by his wife, is in Victoria. The November issue of the magazine contains a very well illustrated article about Victoria. Mr. Wilhelm will spend several days in the city, a guest at the Victoria hotel.

Yukon Output.—The output of gold from the Yukon country for the season of 1904 is, according to the latest estimate, placed at nine and a half millions. This is a very good showing and indicates that, given good government, the country would flourish and be in a prosperous condition. As it is, owing to Siftonism, Dawson is practically deserted.

Maceabees Social.—An interesting social will be given at the residence of S. A. Sponner, 285 Yates street, next Friday evening, under the auspices of the Maceabees of Victoria West. There will be an admission of 25 cents for adults and 10 cents for children. The entertainment will be open not only to the members of the society but to the public.

Present Prizes.—At the City hall on Friday evening next the medals and cups awarded on the occasion of the children's sports arranged as a feature of the fall fair, will be presented to the successful contestants in those events, also the Lieut.-Governor's and other medals for swimming. Some of the certificates won in the swimming contests have already been handed out to the successful competitors by Trustee Rogers.

Fall Fair Executive.—At a meeting of the executive of the British Columbia Agricultural Association, held yesterday morning at the office of the secretary, Robert Swinerton, the financial statement in connection with the late exhibition was presented and referred to the auditor for examination as to its correctness. The matter of the dates for the next fall fair, and the adjourned annual meeting was discussed at some length but no decision arrived at, and the meeting adjourned to meet again at the call of the chair.

Thanksgiving Services.—Special harvest thanksgiving services will be held in St. James' church, James bay, today. There will be morning prayer and celebration of the Eucharist at 10, and full choral evensong at 8, when the right rev. the lord bishop of the diocese will be the preacher. The following music will be rendered: Organ voluntary, "March Religieuse," Alex. Gilmour (Op. 139); procession hymn, 302; special psalm, ciii, cl, cathedral psalter; Magnificat, F. J. Read; Nunc Dimittis, F. J. Read; anthem, "The Lord is Loving Unto Every Man," G. M. Garrett; hymns, 281, 282; vesper hymn, recessional, 279; organ voluntary, "War March of the Priests," Mendelssohn.

Cruelty to Animals.—A shooting party in the Lake lake district on Sunday last came across a horse lying on a barren patch and unable to move. The legs of the poor brute were swollen to twice their normal size, while every rib in the body protruded. There was no water or pasture near and the sportsmen endeavored in vain to get the animal on its legs. For some minutes they discussed the propriety of shooting it, but decided that the heartless owner might prosecute should they do so. One of the party had some liquid refreshment in a tank and this was given to the horse, who lapped it up as if he had not had a drink for days. The animal has evidently been turned out to die a lingering death. The facts, as stated, were related to a Colonel reporter yesterday by one of the party in the hope that publicity would elicit prompt action on the part of the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Collar a Collar.—Some hundreds of linen collars of all sizes, shapes and qualities, yesterday attracted attention at the rear of the city market. There were all sorts of surmises as to how they got there. Some maintained that a Chinaman had been buried in a tank and this was given to the horse, who lapped it up as if he had not had a drink for days. The animal has evidently been turned out to die a lingering death. The facts, as stated, were related to a Colonel reporter yesterday by one of the party in the hope that publicity would elicit prompt action on the part of the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Beach Gravel.—The City Council, which some months ago issued an order to the effect that no article should be taken from the beaches within the jurisdiction of the corporation, finds itself in the position of being compelled to break its own law. Corporation workmen have, for a considerable time, been hauling gravel from the beach for use in laying down the cement sidewalks. An ineffectual effort was made by the council to get gravel from another source, but the contractor with whom an arrangement was made found it impossible to "deliver the goods," and the city had no recourse but to fall back upon the supply at Ross bay. In this connection Ald. Kinsman mentions an interesting bit of information. It was the experience of the contractor who had the job of putting down the Dallas road retaining wall that one day there would not be a particle of gravel on the beach, when next day, if the wind and tide proved favorable, there would be an abundant supply. On some parts of the coast of England a system which has proved very effective in the protecting of the banks consists simply in the driving of piles at some distance apart, the single columns being driven in quantity until fine protection has been formed.

The highest award and gold medal has been given to the "Solafida" Tea Co. at the St. Louis Exposition.

BENEFIT CONCERT IS A SUCCESS

Fifth Regiment Band Heard to Advantage in the Opera House.

Encouraged by the presence of a larger audience than has gathered to listen to their delightful strains since the return from St. Louis, the Fifth Regiment band last night surpassed themselves in the opera house on the occasion of the grand benefit concert given for them by the citizens of Victoria under the direct patronage of His Worship the Mayor and the elite of the city's society. Bandmaster Finn had arranged a programme of unusual excellence, containing a very wide selection of classical and popular music. As a natural consequence the enjoyment of the audience was very keen, and the hearty manner in which the several selections were encored proved how much all present enjoyed the treat.

The band was ably assisted during the evening by several of Victoria's most talented singers, including Mrs. R. H. Pooley and Mrs. H. C. Briggs and Mr. Herbert Kent, all of whom splendidly upheld their enviable reputation as vocalists of the first rank. The appreciation of the critical audience was enthusiastically marked on the occasion of the singing by those favorite vocalists and recalls were imperative, in each case being graciously responded to by the instrumental solos were also thoroughly enjoyed, the clarinet solo by Bandsman Gumbert and the cornet solo by Bandsman Driscoll being intensely relished and encored.

The band covered itself with glory in the classical selection, the "Tannhauser" and the "Scandinavian," in particular being grandly played. The "Caprice" Mazurka also brought down the house, but of all the instrumental selections probably the melange of Irish air and waltzes, the "Tannhauser" and the "Scandinavian," in particular, was excellently played, and no one could grumble at the selection of airs, although it is always a delicate and difficult task to make a selection from the immense range of Irish music to suit all tastes. Bandmaster Finn is to be complimented on his good judgment. The concert was brought to a fitting close by the playing of the Canadian national anthem, and then the imperial national hymn. The expression of admiration was heard on all sides amidst the dispersing audience regarding the concert, and the hope was generally expressed that it would not be long before the public would have another opportunity to hear the band again in a list of choice selections. The concert last evening may safely be described as a great success.

Bandmaster Finn said last night that he would like, through the Colonist, to thank Mr. Bowyer, who graciously placed the opera house at the disposal of the band, also the ladies and gentlemen who so kindly assisted in making the concert so conspicuous a success. These kindnesses the Fifth Regiment band will not soon be forgotten.

DEATH YESTERDAY OF MRS. D. STEPHEN

Pioneer Lady Resident Passes Away After a Brief Illness.

Very general regret will be felt in the community at the announcement of the death yesterday, after a brief illness, at the family residence, 152 Michigan street, of Mrs. Stephen, wife of David Stephen, the pioneer marine engineer, now with the C. P. R. Company.

Deceased, who was well past her age, and a native of Dundee, Scotland, had been a resident of Victoria since 1864, and was widely known amongst Victorians, who will learn of her demise with genuine sorrow. The bereaved husband arrived in Victoria in 1864, and Mrs. Stephen following him here two years later.

A large family consisting of three sons and four daughters, are left to mourn a kind mother. Frederick J. Stephen, of Seattle, Edwin R. Stephen, of William A. of Victoria; Mrs. George R. Jackson, Mrs. J. W. Spring, Miss Jean Stephen and Miss Mae Stephen. Due notice of the funeral will be given.

The many friends of Miss Eva May second daughter of William Ferguson, of Douglas and Francis streets, will be shocked to learn of her demise yesterday at the Victoria General Hospital, the unfortunate young lady being ill but a few hours. Mrs. Fraser and Robertson operated upon her, but found it was too late, the disease having gone too far before they were called in. The late Miss Ferguson was 16 years of age and a native of Listowel, Ont. The funeral is arranged for Thursday at 2 p. m. The Rev. Mr. Westman will conduct the services.

A. Davidson, for years a resident of Victoria, where he was in business as a jeweler, but now a resident of Vancouver, has received the sad news of the death of his father, Mr. John Alexander Davidson, who passed away in his 72nd year at Seattle, Wash. He had resided for many years past in the city of Seattle.

The deceased leaves two sons, the late Mr. Davidson was formerly a well-known newspaperman in the East, and was at one time proprietor of the Guelph Mercury.

SCOTCH CONCERT.

Enjoyable Entertainment at St. Andrew's Church Last Night.

A great number gathered in the lecture room of St. Andrew's church to listen to one of the most enjoyable of Scotch concert evenings held in Victoria. After a few appropriate remarks by the chairman, Dr. Milne, Mr. Longfield played a charming selection of Scotch airs, followed by a most interesting reading by Miss Agnes Deans Cameron in her well-known style, on "Questions by Small Boys and Girls," after which Mr. Gordon sang "MacGregor's Gathering," and for an encore "Annie Laurie." Mrs. Morehead, in her usual charming manner, sang "Bonnie Mary of Argyll," followed by "Robin Adair." Mr. J. Longfield then gave a most delightful violin solo. Mrs. Currie's lovely voice was heard to great advantage in "Somebody." Rev. Archibald Ewing charmed the audience with his "J. J. Harris" parodying to "Receive Company," and for an encore "Ain Home for Ginies."

Mr. J. G. Brown's song, "Duncan MacGregor," and Miss Bishop's "Angus MacDonald," were rendered in the best style of those well known and popular amateurs.

At the conclusion a hearty vote of thanks was given to the ladies who had arranged the evening's entertainment.

IN WOMAN'S FAVOR.

Few treatments stand so high in woman's favor as Dr. Chase's Nerve Food. This is not only because of the extraordinary control which this preparation has over diseases and weaknesses peculiar to women, but also because of its power as a tissue builder. By weighing yourself while using Dr. Chase's Nerve Food you can prove that new flesh and weight is being added to the body.

Lifebuoy Soap—Disinfectant—is strongly recommended by the medical profession as a safeguard against infectious diseases. Some new and attractive Photographs at Hibben & Co's.

OCTOBER SUNSET MAGAZINE

Gives fine pictures of California Life. Gen. MacArthur and other army officers describe the recent military manoeuvres in California, each article being profusely illustrated with half-tones and colored drawings by Edward Cuelier. Interesting articles on California and Oregon. How Olive Oil is Made. How Almonds are Grown, and fine descriptions of Plumas and Sutter, two great California counties. 222 pages of articles, western stories, sketches and verses; 10 cents a copy. You can buy Sunset Magazine at all news stands.

We have one of, if not the finest, assortment of Southern Postcards in Canada. Hibben & Co.

Even to advertise your little store in the smallest way—in the want ad. columns—gets you into "the company of the prosperous ones," and it is the only kind of company you can afford to keep in the business world.

Old Blue Willow.—Cups and Saucers, \$1.50 dozen; Tea Plates, \$1.00 dozen; Breakfast Plates, \$1.25 dozen; Dinner Plates, \$1.50 dozen; Soup Plates, \$1.25 dozen; Vegetable Dishes, \$1.00; Gravy Boats, 25c; Meat Dishes, 25c; 30c, 45c, 65c and 90c, at R. A. Brown & Co's, 80 Douglas street.

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We have just made up, and put in stock, a splendid lot of fine diamond rings, suitable for engagement rings, or for presentation on a birthday, or any other occasion.

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Free Silverware With Every Sale.

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

New York, Oct. 25.—Union Pacific sold

as high as 112 today and the aggregate

of the stock footed up 330,800

shares. The astonishing occurrence was

the central facts from which all others

radiated, and there is little left to say

of the market. The final break was from a

rush to take profit on the day's enormous

trading and on a bear raid. The published

assertion that the tide had turned and

Oregon Short Line participating bonds had

been determined on was the melting cause

of the movement. The truth of this report

could not be learned from any official

source. The exact reason for the success of

Union Pacific were not very obvious. Al-

though the injunction meant the payment

of dividends on Northern Securities stock

which forms the collateral for the bonds, it

makes the payment itself a burden on

Union Pacific. Heavy capital requirements

would have to be met to retire them, and

the fact that the bonds were sold at a

premium would be the only advantage perceptible.

But it was assumed in spite of most empha-

tic official disclaimers that a settlement

of the bonds would be the cause of a

community of interest in the transconti-

nental railroad world was involved. The

hazy report in St. Paul was regarded as

conclusive of the matter. The market

was not very strong. The closing was

decidedly weak and without recovery. Bonds were irregular.

Total sales par value, \$115,000,000. United

States bonds were unchanged on call.

New York, Oct. 25.—Close: Amer. Corp.

605; Am. Steel 27 1/2; Anaconda 10 1/2;

Car 20 1/2; C. & N. 4 1/2; C. P. 8 3/4; C. P.

R. 13 1/2; Canada Sugar 10 1/2; C. & N.

17 1/2; Colo. S. 23 1/2; Con. Gas 21 1/2;

C. & N. 4 1/2; Corn Prods 17 1/2;

Dry Goods 17 1/2; Erie 30; Gen. Elec. 170;

J. & J. 17 1/2; Jersey Cent. 18 1/2; Ill. Cent.

14 1/2; Int. Den. 28 1/2; Int. Harb. 13 1/2;

K. & N. 4 1/2; L. & N. 13 1/2; Man. & S.

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NOTICE

Tenders

Sealed and endorsed "Tenders for Deben-
tures" will be received at the office of
the undersigned until Monday, the 28th
day of November, 1904, at 4 p. m., for
the purchase in whole or in part of Lo-
cal Improvement debentures of the Cor-
poration of the City of Victoria, as fol-
lows:

1. Debentures amounting to \$12,497.20, is-
sued under authority of the "Yates Street
Local Improvement By-law," dated 1st
May, 1904, maturing 1st day of May, 1914.
of the said debentures \$7,538.00 are issued
under the credit of the real property im-
mediately benefited by the work of local
improvement, and \$4,959.20 upon the credit
of the whole municipality.

2. Debentures amounting to \$12,528.37,
issued under authority of the "Yates Street
(Upper Part) Local Improvement By-law,"
dated 10th day of June, 1904, maturing
the 10th day of June, 1914, and se-
cured upon the credit of the whole munici-
pality.

3. Debentures amounting to \$10,702.54,
dated the 12th of September, 1904, ma-
turing 15th day of September, 1914, and
secured upon the credit of the whole munici-
pality.

The redemption of the debentures
is \$500.00, and they bear interest at 4 per
cent. per annum, payable half yearly at
the office of the City Treasurer.

The tenders must state the net
price at which they will pay. In ad-
dition to the net price the purchaser
will have to pay the Corporation the in-
terest on the said debentures for the
period between the date of issue of each
set of debentures, as above mentioned,
and the date of receipt of the purchase
money therefor by the City Treasurer.

The Corporation does not bind itself to
accept any tender.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
City Clerk of the City of Victoria, B. C., Octo-
ber 18th, 1904.

NOTICE

All mineral rights are reserved by the
Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Company,
within that tract of land bounded on the
south by the southern boundary of Conox
Street, on the east by the Straits of
Georgia, on the north by the 50th parallel,
and on the west by the boundary of the
B. & N. Railway land grant.

LEONARD H. SOLLY,
and Commissioner.

"LAND REGISTRY ACT"

In the matter of an application for a
duplicate of the Certificate of Title to
Part of Lots Twenty-seven (27), Two-
ty-eight (28) and Twenty-nine (29),
Clowderdale, Victoria District (Map 61).

Notice is hereby given that it is my
intention at the expiration of one month
from the first publication hereof, to issue
a duplicate of the Certificate of Title to
the above lands, issued to Helena Brun-
ton, on the 10th day of January, 1891, and
numbered 11031A.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General.
Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C.,
23rd day of September, 1904.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that George
Hooper having this day retired from the
partnership of the firm of Hooper, Tom Hooper,
and Lewis Hooper, the said partnership
will be carried on as heretofore by
William Hooper, Tom Hooper, and
Lewis Hooper, the said partnership to be paid,
and all claims against the said partnership
to be presented.

Dated at Dunsmuir, V. I. B. C., this
20th day of July, 1904.

GEORGE HOOPER,
WILLIAM HOOPER,
LEWIS HOOPER,
A. T. HOOPER.

Witness:
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hours, 10.30 to 1.30. J. Devereaux, my 20

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WANTED—The Society for the Prevention
of Cruelty to Animals require the ser-
vices of a lady to collect subscriptions
and donations for our cause. Apply
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Secretary, 3 McGregor Block. 623

WANTED—A woman, a good waitress at the
Windsor restaurant, Government street.
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WANTED—A saleslady; experience neces-
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60 Rae street. 623

WANTED—A woman to do housework for
the day. Apply "L." this office. 623

WANTED—A first-class cook, one who un-
derstands waiting on table and cooking.
Call between 9 and 12. "Lima." Bird-
cage Walk. 618

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE.
A TRAINED NURSE, a widow with re-
fined home, would like care of one or two
children; could take infant from two
months up. Address "S. E." Colonist,
Victoria, B. C. 625

WANTED—Situation wanted by middle-
aged lady as child's nurse. Address
"Nurse," this office. 623

WANTED—Two ladies seek situations as
nursery governesses or mother's help.
For particulars, apply to Mrs. J. J. Mac-
gregor, 60 Rae street. 623

WANTED—Young lady, domesticated,
and cheerful disposition, seeking
position as useful companion to an in-
valid lady (country preferred). 60 Rae
street. 623

WANTED—An experienced person wants
situation as housemaid or nurse. Apply
"B." Colonist. 625

WANTED—Young lady (English) desires
position as governess. Musical. "F."
Colonist. 617

WANTED—MALE HELP.
BOY WANTED—Apply 81 Douglas street.
626

WANTED—Junior clerk for an office. Ap-
ply, stating age, experience, if any, and
salary expected. "A. B. C." Colonist.
625

WANTED—Young man for general help in
produce store. "Y. Z." Colonist. 623

DETECTIVES—Every locality, good sal-
ary, experience unnecessary. Inter-
State Detective Agency, Milwaukee, Wis.
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WANTED—Smart boy wanted. Apply An-
gus Campbell & Co., 31 Fort street. 623

WANTED—Young man in office; must be
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College, San Francisco, California. 611

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Thursday, December 1, 1904. State salary ex-
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or reporter. Apply "Sing V." Colonist
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FOR SALE—Four rowboats, to carry from
two to ten people; all with sails com-
plete. One boat house. J. J. White,
Sidney, B. C. 605

FOR SALE—SS. Mist. For particulars apply
to Malcolm & Purvis, Salt Spring
Island, B. C. 617

FOR SALE—Naphtha launch in good or-
der. Apply "Launch." Colonist office.
613

TO RENT—Oriental dining room and kit-
chen. Oriental hotel, Yates street. 613

WHO'S HOLDS?—Why, the chimney
sweep. From 60c; no mess. A. Brown,
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count books and stationery. Terms mod-
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street. 630

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the Straits, for sale cheap. Apply B. C.
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ernment street. 611

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WANTED—57 plate camera, in good con-
dition. Address P. O. Box 717. 625

WANTED—100 cords of wood, delivered.
A. T. Woodward, Ross Bay, City. 621

WANTED—Plain sewing by the day. 88
Pandora avenue. 616

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THE KALEVAN KANSA C. CO., LTD.,
Sault Ste. Marie, Ont. (Mainland Island) We
furnish rough and dressed fir, spruce,
cedar and tamarack lumber; mouldings,
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Northwest Coast. Our foundry is up-to-
date in all things. We mould all kinds
of castings and do machine re-
pairing. Write for further particulars
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POULTRY AND LIVESTOCK.
FOR SALE—Good family cow; also heifer.
Two months old. Apply W. H. Gibson.
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FOR SALE—Six grade Jersey heifer
calves, 5 months old. J. D. Reid, Met-
chison. 625

FOR SALE—An excellent young gentle
cow; also milking heifer. Apply L.
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P. O. 625

FOR SALE—Young pigs for sale. John
Turner, Royal Oak. 613

FOR SALE—Minor pullets, \$10 dozen;
Minor Orpington pullets \$9 dozen;
plumage hens \$1; also cocker spaniel,
broken, \$10. Miss Exley, Sidney. 611

WANTED—300 pullets; state when hatch-
ed. Cameron, 19 Catherine street, W.
625

FOR SALE—Irish setter puppies by Mike-
Green; also Irish setter bitch, good gun-
ner. Apply evenings, except Saturday or
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WANTED TO LEASE—A farm for three
years, with the privilege of buying; 50
to 150 acres, with house and barns. Ap-
ply "H. T." Colonist 629

LOST.
LOST—Gold rope chain necklace, with a
small heart shaped brooch attached.
Finder please return to Colonist office
and receive reward. 626

LOST—Small black horse; 3 white feet;
branded "S." Apply at Melburn's Ave-
nue Retreat, Douglas street. 625

LOST—On Oak Bay avenue, Sunday, 23rd,
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Captain Wolley At Mount Tolmie

Held Very Successful Meeting at the School House on Monday Evening.

Interesting and Convincing Address by Messrs. McPhillips and Matson.

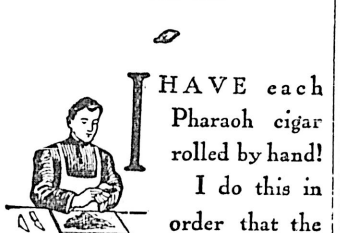
A very successful meeting in the interests of Capt. Clive Phillips-Wolley was held at Mount Tolmie school house on Monday evening, when addresses were delivered by the candidate and Messrs. A. E. McPhillips, K. C., and Mr. S. Matson.

Captain Wolley in opening his address dealt with the position of his opponent, Mr. Ralph Smith, and the inconsistency of his position in 1904 as compared with his position in 1900. He then claimed to be independent of both great parties in Canada and a champion of labor. His conversion, however, was most rapid and that he now was one of the staunchest of the supporters of the Right Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier and willing to throw down all his principles as enunciated in 1900 for the purpose of obtaining the Liberal support in this contest, being aware that he is woefully weak with the party that previously gave him their confidence and now withhold it.

Captain Wolley dealt very fully with the development of Canada consequent upon the maintenance of Conservative principles, and in a running review dealt with many of the points that bear upon the question of the Great Trunk Pacific Railway agreement. His presentation was most eloquent and constituted a summing up of the issues in the election and the capacity of Mr. Borden to work out the true destiny of Canada.

Mr. A. E. McPhillips, K. C., followed and took up in detail the advancement in Canada from the putting into operation of the national policy. He then demonstrated in the clearest way how the Liberals had been recreant to their promises to the people, that they were a party of broken pledges, and that nothing could be credited to them in the way

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Interesting Notes of Mercantile Movements Along the Coast and Ocean.

H. M. S. Shearwater is flying the well-beloved P. O. P., which, translated into plain English, means the pay-off pennant, indicating that she is about to change commission. Her new crew has left England for Esquimaux and the present staff are looking forward to their trip back to the old country. The new crew will arrive on the station early in November, and will immediately take duty aboard the Shearwater. The cruiser Bonaventure is now in dry-dock receiving titivation. It is understood that H. M. S. Grafton will also re-commission on the station on the expiration of her present commission, returning to England, as is usual.

STRANGE FATE OF A STEAMSHIP

(New York Marine Journal.)
An apparently unfaithful mystery of the sea has been chronicled. Lloyds, London, were a new steamship, the Ivernia, has been posted as missing. The Ivernia was launched on the Clyde in July and on her completion loaded with a cargo of coal from Glasgow for Kingston, Jamaica. She sailed on August 16 and has not since been heard of. That a ship should be launched, fitted out, and posted as "missing" all within the short space of a few weeks is indeed an exceptional series of events. In some respects this loss is one of the most remarkable of recent times, and the fact that the loss of life is not very heavy or the ship of great size in no way detracts from the interest attaching to the disaster on the other side of the ocean.

CAPTAIN COUSINS TO WED.

San Francisco, Oct. 25.—Captain N. B. Cousins, of the steamer Queen, Lloyds, London, and Tacoma, has been granted leave of absence for a month, and he left last night by train for Portland to be married to a young lady from Minneapolis. Friends of the popular commander will be surprised to learn of his venture, for he has maintained a strict secrecy in the matter. In the meantime Captain Thomas, late of the State of California, will command the Queen, and Captain Leland takes the State of California.

TUG BERMUDA HAS ROUGH TRIP

After encountering severe winds and a rough sea, the British tug Bermuda, Capt. Babington, arrived at Tacoma Sunday at noon with a scow loaded with 350 tons of copper ore for the Tacoma smelter. The cargo comes from Marble Bay mines on Texada island, and is valued at \$2,389. The tug was to return to port Tuesday, by which time the ore will be discharged. On her return to Comox the Bermuda will tow the scow with 300 tons of coal, loaded at the local bunkers.

OFF THE WAYS.

British ship Crown of Germany was floated from the Victoria Machinery Depot Company's new marine railway last evening at dusk, and was taken down the railway for daylight. She will load lumber for Melbourne at some port on the Sound. The Crown of Germany has received a thorough scraping and cleaning and is now ready for some fast sailing.

INCREASED OVERDUE RATES.

The reinsurance on the overdue ships is jumping up toward the 100 per cent mark. Yesterday the German ship Sirene, out 14 days from Liverpool, was insured at 100 per cent, making her reinsurance 75 per cent. The British ship Andretta, 121 days from Sydney to Falmouth, went from 40 to 50 per cent. The ship Isola d'Alba, 157 days from New Caledonia to Delaware Breakwater, stands at 5 per cent.

THE CHARTER MARKET.

San Francisco Reports Little Business Moving at Present.

"In the coast grain freight markets there have been a couple of fixtures during the last week," says the San Francisco Commercial News, "and those at the usual rate of 32s. 6d. at San Francisco and 26s. 3d. at Tacoma. The European demand is so strong that the coast business is not sufficient to cover the present. In lumber freights, outside of a few fixtures at 32s. 6d. for Melbourne, Adelaide, or Port Phillip, the business is very quiet, and rates remain about as before."

"A rather startling revelation on the workings of the French bounty system is the fact that three French ships seized in British ports at the instances of mortgages by the marshal of the high court and sold by private tender. These vessels are the French ship Bernier, Meddeline, and Andre Theodore, built in 1902 and owned by the Societe de Navigation de Sud-Ouest. British capital being largely used in their construction. The Bernier was at present at a cost of about 10,000 each above what it would have cost to build them in Great Britain. In addition to this outlay delays in port and accident at sea made large losses on the expected bounty of 4,000 per year, the result being bills contracted with not enough money to meet them forthcoming. The experience of these vessels is an indication of the decrease in strength of the French merchant marine and the failure of the French government to build up that marine by the present system."

"The Oriental freight business is picking up rapidly all along the coast from San Francisco north. The regular liners from this port are carrying full cargoes, and an extra liner, the Albatross, is to be dispatched on the 25th of the month. The Portland and Asiatic company has secured the use of two extra steamers for its Portland service, and the Albatross is to be chartered of two more large steamers, one now on the way here, and the other on the other side, about ready to sail."

"A movement was inaugurated at New York a few days ago to revive that port's Oriental commerce, which is seriously threatened by the growing trade of the Pacific Coast ports. The Eastern trunk lines have put into effect experimental rates reducing the carrying charges on tea from New York to the West. They are hoping to encourage shipping from the Orient to New York by way of the Suez canal, and thence West by rail and consequently, to discourage direct importations from the Orient by way of the Pacific Coast ports. The trunk lines now receive 18 per cent per 100 pounds on tea received from the transcontinental railroads at Chicago and New York, and 10 per cent for Eastern common points, while the reported reduced rate on the same commodity from New York to Chicago is to be 40 cents per 100 pounds."

SIGNS HER OFFICERS.

The crew of the liner Melades was signed by Deputy Shipping Commissioner Swift at Tacoma Monday, says the Ledger, and several changes have been made in its crew. T. F. Battye goes as second officer, George F. Glass is raised first officer, and E. H. Stewart is now third engineer. The Melades is a new ship, having been advanced from fourth engineer. The post of third engineer is taken by A. J. Miller, formerly on the Olympia. W. O. Blazer, formerly a member of the Tacoma's engineer staff, has been appointed fourth officer. E. O. Tuttle, who has filled the position of purser since he joined the

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MARINE NOTES.

Steamer Unatilla left last evening for the Golden Gate with a good cargo of general freight and a number of passengers.

Steamer Queen arrived at 3 o'clock yesterday morning from San Francisco, and after discharging passengers and freight here passed on to the Sound.

Sealing schooner Ida Etta, Captain Leary, has returned to port for the season. Schooner Snow and Burgess is to tie up at Port Ludlow, Wash., until freights improve. She arrived at Port Townsend from Nome a few days ago.

MUSIC FOR THE HOSPITAL BALL

Fifth Regt. Band Orchestra Has Been Engaged for Two Evenings.

The committee having in hand the arrangements for the forthcoming ball under the auspices of the Women's Auxiliary Provincial Hospital yesterday afternoon to consider a representation made to them by the officers of the militia and prominent citizens, requesting that a local orchestra be employed. The citizens contended that the hospital, a local institution, asking perpetual local support, should on all public occasions, employ local talent. It was reported that feeling ran very high in the city on the subject, and the ladies were approached to see if the wishes of the public could be considered.

When the arrangements for the ball were made some weeks ago the local musicians were away on a tour, and the time fixed for their return appeared indefinite. The ladies therefore turned to the source whence they have met always with never-failing kindness and consideration, and asked permission to invite the naval band, which was immediately granted. Three weeks passed—weeks during which meetings were held—a courteous remonstrance on the subject could have been easily considered. But none came, nor was any legitimate complaint received by the committee until Sunday last. The committee feel the position in which they have been placed acutely, but on a motion, which was seconded, and passed unanimously, it was decided to explain the situation thoroughly to the naval authorities, whose chivalrous kindness may be depended upon, and to engage for the two nights of the ball Mr. Sampson's orchestra from the Fifth Regiment, whose programmes will be published later.

The decorations go on apace, and the supper and sitting-out rooms begin to look both artistic and beautiful. The sitting-out room is a "dream of the Southern seas," and the corners are undertaken by Messrs. Spencer, Weiler Bros., and the West-side, respectively, who thereby earn the most grateful thanks of the ladies.

Mr. Thomas Watson and the sailors are effectively arranging the ball room, and a large band of ladies are expected to put the finishing touches today. Contributions of red and white ribbons, feathered elements and other foliage will be most gratefully received at the Assembly hall during the day.

FROM CAP COVERS TO LEGGINS.

Jap Uniforms Are as Inconspicuous as Possible.

The Japanese uniforms of khaki from cap covers to leggings make them as inconspicuous as possible. On the Peking expedition Japanese regiments took the field dressed in white duck, which presented a gleaming target across the corn covered plains of China within any reasonable rifle range. Since that campaign, in the evolution of the most modern of armies, economy of lives has come to be reckoned with. So far has the spectacular deferred to effectiveness in uniforming, that even the regimental numbers on shoulder straps are being gradually eliminated, and no distinguishing marks about prisoners or dead to give a clue to the identity of the organizations which oppose them. The occasional glint of an officer's sword scabbard when the sun struck it was the only guide for marksmen a few hundred yards distant. The officers yet retain their swords in the field because at close quarters they yield

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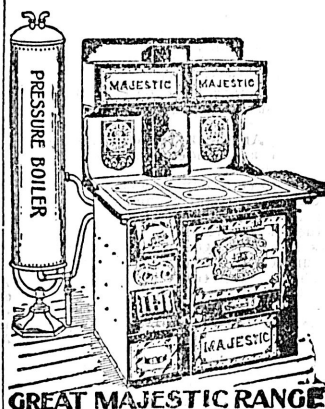
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